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1. The decisive factor behind the recent changes in the Ministry of Public Security is believed to have been friction between leading Politburo members and a weakening of the position of Boleslaw Bierut and Jakub Berman. The unprecedented self-criticism voiced by Bierut and Berman at a rally of Party leaders is believed to have been caused by the strong criticism from a group of Politburo members headed by Franciszek Mazur and Wladyslaw Dworakowski, the two "rising stars" in the Party hierarchy.
2. The offices of the directorate of the new security organisation were moved from Koszykowa Street, Warsaw, to the main building of the State Council on Krakowskie Przedmiescie and it is believed that the departments will gradually be transferred there. A new building for the Committee of Public Security is being built at 2 Pulaska Street, Warsaw.
3. Bierut is reported to have stated that the entire UB personnel would be replaced. The general assumption is that all these changes are intended to demonstrate to the public that the UB is a dead organisation and that the Committee of Public Security is by no means a continuation of the UB.
4. In conferences which extend into the early morning hours at the old UB headquarters on Ulica Koszykowa, the outgoing UB department heads are handing over their departments to the new committee members.
5. Former Vice Minister of Public Security Mietkowski has been demoted. Vice Ministers Swietlik and Pszczolkowski are members of the new Committee of Public Security.

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